

Cordell Hull Birthplace

Sustainability Features

Operations

The Park offers recycling of aluminum, plastic, and paper. The resurgence of the area bear population is requiring the park to replace recycling receptacles with bear-proof containers.

Agriculture

The Park maintains a garden and gives produce to park visitors.

Historical Significance

Cordell Hull worked as a lawyer, judge, state representative and captain in the Spanish-American War. He was elected to the U.S. House of representatives in 1906 where he served until 1931 when he was elected to the U.S. Senate. He served there until President Franklin D. Roosevelt appointed him Secretary of State in 1933. His most noted achievement was his effort in establishing the United Nations toward the end of World War II, for which he was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize.

The park's museum contains original artifacts belonging to former Secretary of State Cordell Hull including many original papers, photographs, and personal effects. While his original Peace Prize is in safe storage, a replica from the Nobel Institute is on public display. The park hosts a United Nations Celebration and a Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day.

Moving Forward

Expansion/Energy Conservation

The park is preparing to change the contents of the museum with new material from the Cordell Hull family. New museum lighting will utilize LED technology for improved energy efficiency and improved visibility. The park also plans to use more LED lighting throughout the park.

Park Highlights

- Located in Pickett County
- Visited by over 60,000 people in 2011
- Three mile loop trail to cave (cave currently closed due to bat white nosed syndrome)

